

Creswick District News celebrates 20 YEARS OF PUBLICATION 1999-2019

Dinosaurs and CakeWhat Has Changed Since 1999

Whilst looking over some of the early issues of the *Creswick District News*, it became startlingly clear to the CDN Team how many changes there have been in local businesses and community organisations in the last twenty years.

For example, whatever happened to World of Dinosaurs, the Forestry Fiesta/Landfest, and the Tangled Maze? Where did the Creswick Field Naturalists go? What happened to the Kingston Junior Red Cross? We know the schools of Kingston, Dean, Smeaton and Bald Hills have gone, as have the ANZ and Westpac banks. Many businesses in the town which were virtually Creswick institutions have since disappeared: The British Hotel, Pasco's Hardware and Funeral Parlour, Mitch's, Wrigley's Dairy (who remembers daily milk deliveries?), Cosy Corner Milk Bar and Takeawaydid we ever think the best potato cakes for miles around would just vanish?

But let's not dwell on what the town and district has lost. Think about the great gains and improvements that have taken place in this period. Hammon Park is gone but we have a fantastic facility in the Doug Lindsay Recreation Reserve and a new asset in the Pump-Track at Hammon Park as part of the Creswick Trails Project. Two of Creswick's banks did go but now we have the Creswick & District Community Bank® whose commitment to giving back to the community can only be commended. Regular train services have recommenced - to Maryborough, Ballarat and beyond. Huntley's grocery is no more, but we look forward to the opening of the new supermarket this year. Starting with the arrival of Smokeytown café in mid 2003. Creswick now has a flourishing café culture with visitors coming from miles around to enjoy coffee and cake under our magnificent trees.

These are just a few of the changes. Readers will be able to think of many more. We'd love to hear your thoughts.

Maria Taylor, CDN Team

Creswick District News Issue 1 January 1999

The masthead from the first edition of the Creswick District News in January 1999 appears below. By the second edition in February, the late Geoff Cole had designed the now familiar masthead which features the landscape from Smeaton to the Town Hall. When colour for the front page was introduced in October 2011, local artists Doug and Jan Bosher added the colour to the original sketch.



Creswick District News

The CDN is a community newsletter imparting local information. Copy is invited from individuals community groups reporting or advising on local events. contributions are accepted in good faith with no intention or desire to misinform or offend. Articles must carry the name, phone number and/ or email address of the sender. The Editor reserves the right to edit or not publish any article. Views expressed are not necessarily those of The CDN Team.

The next issue of CDN will be available on 21 February 2019

Deadline for copy and advertisements: 1st day of the month.

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Contact CDN: 0407 352 982 03 5345 2059

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Australia Day Breakfast

Park Lake, Creswick

Saturday, 26 January

Ceremony commencing at 8.00am, followed by Breakfast

This event is funded by the Hepburn Shire and supported by local businesses. This is an environmentally friendly event, please bring your own reusable crockery, cutlery and drinking vessels. Note tickets (for catering purposes) will be available from the Creswick Hub and the Information Centre .

Volunteers to help are most welcome, contact Pat Tacey if you can assist, (tacey55@gmail.com)

Congratulations

Congratulations to Kingston tennis player, Zoe Hives who made the most of her wildcard entry into the Australian Open by winning her first round match in straight

PAVILION ARTS Sunday, 27 January 3.00pm to 7.00pm

Informal discussions, mingling with friends and the local Arts community.

18 Gardiner Street, Creswick.

Pavilion Arts thanks all who have helped throughout 2018. There will be the opportunity to discuss suggestions for the future and provide feedback on past events.

BYO nibbles and drinks. Tea and coffee provided.

Help make Creswick District the Arts centre of rural Victoria.

creswick Rainfall

Monthly Totals as sent to Bureau

2017 2018 mm mm 34 30 37 6.5 44.4 30 106.5 17 39.5 93.5 12.5 68 72.7 79 70.5 59.3

of Meteorology by Frank Slade.

January February March April May June July August September 51.5 22 October 64 33.5 November 55.1 40 December 58.5 80 **TOTAL** 635 570



AUSTRALIA DAY IN HEPBURN SHIRE

On Australia Day Eve there is a Civic Reception at the Daylesford Town Hall, which includes the presentation of the Australia Day Awards and Citizenship Ceremony.

On Australia Day, early risers can enjoy breakfast at Park Lake Reserve in Creswick.

To find out what's on in your part of Hepburn Shire, visit

https://www.hepburn.vic.gov.au/event/.

Summer Smorgasbord Tea

Friday 15 February, 2019 - 6.30pm St. Andrew's Uniting Church, Creswick

All Welcome

Adults \$18.00 Children 5-12yrs \$8.00



Changes Are Here

84 on Albert is owned and operated by Brad and Kirstie Coulter. After finishing in December 2018 at their school café in Werribee, Creswick is their new home with their two boys, William 7 and Jacob 4 and 84 on Albert is their new full time adventure!

After taking over the lease from Bullseyes Pizza Cafe in June 2018, Brad and Kirstie have kept the menu similar but with a few changes. Now bigger changes are here!

Past owners have made their changes to 84 Albert Street, and now there's a touch of history. Looks may be deceiving from outside because inside you will find little treasures throughout. From the mural found in the entrance of Albert Street back in the 1860s, a cabinet of treasures from different decades in history and stories from the past.

Families will find their entertainment covered with a 4-hole mini golf course out the back, magnetic darts, Jukebox and a range of board games for customers' use.

From 1 February, 84 on Albert introduces a Lunchtime menu from 12.00pm to 4.00pm consisting of a large variety of soups and salads along with the coffee and cafe style sandwiches and focaccias. Then a Dinner menu will be in place from 4.00pm to 8.00pm consisting of a large variety of pizzas, pastas, soups, fried foods and a selected range of salads.

Brad and Kirstie invite you to come and see for yourself what other customers are raving about. Call *84 on Albert* on 5377 1340. Or go to Facebook.*com/84onAlbert* to stay up to date with all the news!



Jean boarding bus at Victoria Street bus stop. Photo coursesy The Courier.

Inspire Your Child The Academy of Classical Ballet is now in Creswick!

The Academy is delighted to offer dance classes to families in Creswick and surrounds and looks forward to meeting many local families at their Enrolment Day on Saturday, 2 February, 2019.

The Academy has a reputation of excellence and provides a professional level of training with individual care. Classes will operate at the Hammon Park studios (formerly Creswick Dance & Fitness) and there will be many opportunities for children that will enrich their development.

If you are looking for an activity to enhance your child's social skills, confidence, strength and agility, focus and personal development let them explore dance under the nurturing guidance of The Academy's outstanding teaching faculty. Creswick resident Tahlia Horsburgh will be providing Dance-Play Classes on Mondays and Tuesdays for the regions youngest members aged 2-4yrs and other dance classes offered include ballet, jazz, hip-hop, acro, musical theatre, tap, contemporary and an adult dance-fit class is also available.

Enrol now - call the Director of The Academy, Kellie Fishwick-Roscoe on 0419 560 282, email info@theacademyballet.com.au or find them on Facebook!

See advertisements on pages 13 and 14.

JEAN BAKER

A lifelong advocate of public transport

Jean Baker was a regular contributor of the *Public Transport Update* in the *Creswick District News* for many years and worked hard to provide better public transport for local residents. Jean never learned to drive and in her days as the Librarian at the Forestry School she was famous for her ancient bicycle.

A lifelong advocate of public transport, Jean was a foundation member of the Public Transport Users' Association. Jean received interest in these issues and feedback from other Creswick public transport users. An achievement was the establishment of a bus stop and shelter at the Victoria Street railway crossing.

When the State Government investigated re-opening the Mildura train line, she became involved in a campaign to bring back the local service between Ballarat and Maryborough.

The Creswick District News – Roots and Beginnings

The first issue of the *Creswick District News* in January 1999 gives a great insight into its own beginnings.

The CDN has its roots in a Community Forum that was held in August 1998. Of the fifty-plus community organisations which existed in the district at the time, forty were represented at the Forum. As Creswick had just lost its Shire status to Hepburn it was felt that the town needed 'another forum so local people can voice their opinions and prioritise future directions towards improving, enhancing and developing our town and district'.

Some of the representatives on the Forum were Janine Booth, Brian Calder, Elizabeth Northcott, Tony Meehan, Margaret Giles and Val Lawrence. Geoff Cole, who designed the masthead for the second and all subsequent editions of the CDN, were also present.

The Forum Action Committee appointed five representatives to investigate the best way to relay local news. Those members were Jack Sewell AM (Chair), Theo Thomas, Marj White, Trish Kevin, and Susan Couch (who first coined the term *Priceless* for the masthead). These originals were immediately joined by Marg Edgar, Jo van Oostveen and Alicia Hand. Susan, then proprietor of the *Consuming Delights Café*, undertook the task of production and layout of the first edition which was sent to 1,500 households in the former Creswick Shire.

Maria Taylor, CDN Team



Foundation members of Creswick District News Committee -Jack Sewell AM and Jo van Oostveen with copies of Issue 1 and Issue 240 of CDN

CDN Volunteers Have Been a Constant

Two members of the *Creswick District News* current hardworking committee have been with the newspaper since its inception in 1999.

Jack Sewell AM, was already a legend in Creswick in 1998 when he became Chairman of the Action Committee to investigate the production of a local newspaper after the amalgamation of the district Shires and the demise of the *Creswick Advertiser* and the *Central Country Times*.

Jack received a Member of the Order of Australia award in 1999 recognising his fifty years of service to the community, to the Seed Industry in Australia, and to local government. Since the 1950s, he has led far too many organisations to be listed here.

Now enjoying a well-earned retirement, Jack continues to turn up every month as one of the team of proof-readers for the CDN — ensuring that no typos or bloopers get through. To quote from the third issue of the CDN in March 1999:

'In short, Jack Sewell's corner of Australia is a much better place due to his vision, wisdom and hard work to ensure its progress.'

The other half of this formidable proof-reading team is Jo van Oostveen. Since her arrival in Creswick from Holland in the late 1950s, Jo has immersed herself in family and community life, starting with becoming President of a Mother's Club in 1965. For the past fifty plus years, she has continued to work on many committees and clubs, whilst raising a family and pursuing a career in nursing. In 2009 Jo was awarded the Hepburn Shire Citizen of the Year.

Since 1999, Jo has been to every monthly meeting of the CDN (unless the date coincides with her birthday!). At different times, Jo has contributed to the production of every issue including typing, proof-reading, folding and the regular distribution to mailing list subscribers. Jo has fond memories of the many miles she walked while making her personal delivery of the CDN around Creswick's main street area. Jo is currently the Treasurer of the CDN Committee, and liaises with our printer FRP Printing in Ballarat.

Jack Sewell and Jo van Oostveen (who are now assisted by other volunteers with the proof reading when necessary) are shining examples of the qualities of the many conscientious and committed volunteers who have worked at the *Creswick District News* over the past twenty years, and we are delighted to congratulate them both on this significant anniversary.

Maria Taylor, CDN Team

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is now available on-line.
Visit Creswick Business and Tourism website
www.creswick.net/creswick/newsletter

Creswick District NewsOur Reach Goes Far and Wide

Since the very first issue of the CDN in January 1999, the growth of the CDN has been continuous. On the occasion of the twentieth anniversary, it is interesting to note how far and wide each issue of the CDN can travel.

Each month, 2,400 copies are distributed around the 3363 and 3364 postcode areas (the former Creswick Shire). In addition, more than thirty copies are mailed around Australia; as close as Ballarat and Daylesford, as far afield as Albany in Western Australia, and all points in between. Copies of the CDN are regularly sent overseas too.

Feedback from far-flung readers, by word of mouth and by written notes, has always been welcomed throughout the years. Former Creswick residents, Dot and Peter, wrote recently:

'CDN is our link with Creswick since we moved. Reading news about people and events is wonderful. The children (now adults but all did their schooling in Creswick and Ballarat) also enjoy reading the CDN. Then it goes to my son who now lives in Germany...'

Alan, Principal of the School of Forestry in the 1970s and now residing in Melbourne writes:

'The Creswick and District newsletter arrived today. Priority reading in this house ...'

Rosemary from Creswick wrote back in 2000:

'Thank goodness for the Creswick District News; full of plenty of down-to-earth local news and straightforward articles on local people and places. Congratulations! Keep up the good work!'

Des of Heathmont in Victoria has been a subscriber since 2005 and writes:

'I eagerly look forward to receiving your excellent newsletter. I am now 95 years old and lived in Creswick prior to joining the military. I didn't return after being discharged in 1945 but still consider Creswick to be my hometown. My father Alex Bell is mentioned in your 100 Years Ago segment as he spent three years on his back in the Caulfield Military Hospital before returning home to Creswick (he was riddled with shrapnel in Egypt).'

Another subscriber, Kerry, wrote recently:

'I am writing to express my delight in receiving the newsletter monthly. I find this publication a great source of local district information, having moved out of the district I found that I was missing out on some things, but thanks to your newsletter I no longer miss out and still know what's going on without still living there. So this is just a short note to just say thank you.'

Since August 2017, the CDN has been available electronically via the www.creswick.net website run by Business & Tourism Creswick Inc. This has enabled a much wider readership – the CDN was accessed on-line by over 1,200 readers in 2018.

The CDN's reach is set to go even further in the near future. The State Library of Victoria is currently digitising its entire Community Newspaper archive and placing it on its website. This means every issue of the CDN since January 1999 and into the future will shortly be available to anyone who wants to read it anywhere in the world.

Now not only can locals and ex-locals enjoy keeping up with latest from Creswick, but the CDN is becoming a wonderful resource for local historians and social scientists of all kinds. Very soon, we might receive feedback from Vladivostok or Cambridge!

Maria Taylor, CDN Team



Creswick District News Committee Meeting in 2004
Members L-R: Alicia Achterbosch (nee Hand), Aileen Preston, Marg Edgar, Brian Calder, Jack Sewell, Jo van Oostveen, Geoff Cole and
Viv Wheeler

Locals Say There's More Here Than Gold

Aiming to showcase the lifestyle and qualities of Ballarat and region *Committee for Ballarat* recently completed a major project – *More Than Gold* - which involved interviews with some 220 people from the region.

The project resulted in a book of 140 pages which tells the stories of why people chose to stay, move to, work or invest in the region. The stories of the people interviewed showed the area to be a strong, diverse and welcoming community.

The project aims to

- develop a sense of pride in current residents
- encourage potential residents
- attract new business and industry
- highlight the rich culture, employment and diversity of opportunity in the region.

There were many interviews with people from the Creswick area. Here are extracts from some of their stories.



Jeff Unmack

A variety of factors make Creswick unique. I've really loved the people for a long period of time. I enjoy serving many generations of one family. There is just something about the Goldfields region and this place; it has a lot of history to tell.



Creswick is a beautiful town. We've got some really interesting local history and I love all the lakes and the bush. I've lived here seven years. I've really felt at home in this town. I really love it that some of the locals are doing local initiatives, like I Love Creswick and Christmas in Creswick. So there is a real community spirit here in Creswick.





Kerry Armstrong

Creswick itself has a lot of heritage and a great community out here in support of local businesses. There is a lot of growth in medical facilities and retail growth and we've seen some incredible growth in the I've been part of this population. community now for almost fifteen years and despite this growth, it hasn't lost that community feel. Creswick is really an untouched resource and I don't think people are aware of the community and the beautiful aspects it has, particularly the tennis facilities and the ongoing investment in retail.



Paul Williams

Our business is unique, classical and traditional. We really stick to doing classic French patisserie-style food. For six years we've had this business. I've got a great work-life balance because I've got a young family. We do enjoy living here. Creswick is the next mountain bike hub. I'm a keen mountain biker and they're about to start a project with just shy of \$3 million to spend on mountain bike trails, so it's going to be a massive boom in this town in the coming years with people coming from all over Australia.

Meet Kyra Winduss – Parks Victoria Ranger

Kyra Winduss clearly loves her job. As Team Leader at the Parks Victoria Creswick office, Kyra fairly sparkles with enthusiasm about the wide range of tasks and responsibilities she must deal with every day. Kyra grew up in Dandenong. While at high school, her favourite subjects were Outdoor Education, PE and Geography — so a job as a ranger seemed an obvious choice to her careers counsellor.

Kyra duly completed a two-year Diploma of Natural Resource Management at Holmesglen TAFE, and after working as a trainee with an environmental consultant, she secured a casual position with Parks Victoria at Wilsons Promontory, looking after the entry gate, providing information and taking bookings.

In 2003, Parks Victoria went on a recruitment drive for Park Rangers and Kyra was appointed to the Creswick Work Office for the Ballarat area in November 2003.

Kyra is thrilled with the job: 'It's such a diverse role. No day is the same as the last. Each ranger's job is different too. Depending on the geographic location, you could be dealing with many and varied challenges.'

Kyra's not kidding: Over 100 parks and reserves are managed just from the Creswick office. The largest of these include Langi Ghiran State Park, Mt Buangor State Park, Hepburn Regional Park, Mt Beckworth Scenic Reserve, Creswick Regional Park, Trentham Falls Scenic Reserve, Andersons Mill Historic Area and Enfield State Park.

The Creswick Office is located at the old Creswick Forestry Nursery site, set amongst heritage-listed buildings and magnificent trees. The nine staff there have a long list of regular jobs to do including maintenance of tracks, facilities, signage and roads, weed and fire management, and taking care of the unique cultural heritage of each place, both European and indigenous.

Ranger Kyra values Parks Victoria's partnerships with the local community and other stakeholders: 'Locals are our eyes and ears. They let us know if a facility needs attention.' Volunteer groups are also vital to her job. The successful development and maintenance of the La Gerche Forest Walk is only one example.

One of Kyra's favourite projects is keeping track of the Brush-Tailed Phascogale. This shy tree-climbing marsupial is one of the most elusive and vulnerable creatures in Victoria. It occurs in only a few scattered places in Australia. It lives in tree hollows and forages at night on spiders, beetles and other insects on rough-barked eucalyptus trees, fallen logs and amongst leaf litter on the forest floor. Recently, five mature phascogales, three males and two females, were spotted in the Hepburn Regional Park and in the Wombat State forest.

Each year for one week, Kyra leads the team which monitors the population, setting traps, checking DNA,



Kyra with a brush-tailed phascogale (photo Kyra Winduss)

recording vital signs then releasing them back into the wild. So far, the animals they have tracked have kept healthy, but there is no room for complacency. 'Local residents can help these adorable neighbours by keeping pets indoors at night and by protecting mature rough-barked trees on your property – especially those with hollows.'

Kyra purchased her first house in Creswick in 2005. She is married with two children who attend a local primary school. Both Kyra and her husband, who is employed in a similar field, are kept busy each weekend. During the winter, they are heavily involved with the Daylesford Football Netball Club, and in the summer they are on standby for fire management and patrolling.

When asked what she likes about Creswick, Kyra doesn't hesitate: 'It's a wonderful community. We love the country feel of the town and we've got to know all our neighbours. It's a great place to raise a family – great schools with such a close community feel and the kids love the skate park.'

Unsurprisingly, Kyra really appreciates the fact that Creswick is surrounded by forest and natural landscape – 'It's so refreshing and reviving.' As you get to know Kyra you realise that she loves her work and her life in Creswick, and as the team leader for Parks Victoria in our region, Creswick is very lucky to have her.

Maria Taylor

ALERNE OF MORONIA

Kingston, Friends of the Avenue News

Presentations to Creswick Brass Band

On 29 November the Friends went along to Youth Band practice to thank the members of Creswick Youth Brass for their amazing contribution to the Armistice and Avenue of Honour Centenary. They were presented with a commemorative ribbon and brochure.

The Friends also took this opportunity to present the Band with a \$500 cheque and Certificate of Appreciation. (With grateful thanks to the Creswick & District Community Bank® Branch who assisted by funding the performers.)

Markets for 2019

The Friends are planning to be at the following Creswick Markets this year: March and April, September, October and November. The market stalls have a



Rob Ohlsen, Julie Baulch, Alan Morris and some members of Creswick Youth Brass. Photograph by Leah Armstrong.

following of keen gardeners who regularly come looking for something different. If you have plants that fit this category and have time to take cuttings or to share, please phone Marg on 0427 457 365.

Julie Baulch



ADVERTISING in the CDN in 1999

The Creswick District News is grateful for the support that local businesses have given to the Newspaper over the last twenty years. Below is a look back at some of the advertisers from 1999 - some are still with us today.

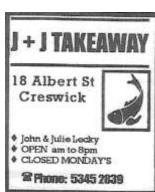






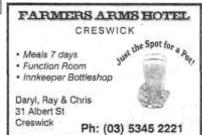


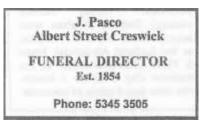


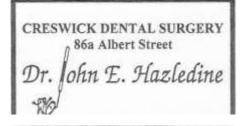




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Watercolour painting courtesy of Geoff and Carol Cole







CRESWICK DISTRICT NEWS



Creswick Lions Club



Creswick Lions Club President Peter Cowie (back row, 3rd left) pictured with Keeley (back row centre) and Labor MP Michaela Settle and some of the other recipients of iPads.

In December, Lions members were busy with BBQs at the Christmas Carols at Doug Lindsay reserve and Bunnings. Apart from a slow half hour because of the weather, the BBQ was still a great source of fundraising for the Club and we would like to acknowledge the opportunity that Bunnings provides to organisations around the district.

Our Club President, Peter Cowie, was invited to present an iPad to Keeley Murphy, the founder and inspiration behind the charity *Keeley's Cause*. Eighteen iPads were presented to children with autism or intellectual

disabilities at the *Keeley's Cause* annual Christmas celebration. Creswick Lions Club is proud to have funded and provided Keeley with her own device and to have been part of the celebration.

Member Pat Tacey has been working with other community groups over the past few months to organise the Australia Day Breakfast at Park Lake. Lions members are looking forward to assisting once again with the cooking and serving of the breakfast and to the community supporting this annual event.

Creswick Lions would like to take this opportunity to wish everyone a Happy New Year and to thank our members for all their hard work in 2018. If you would like to learn more about becoming a Lion please contact Bernardette 0419 581 052, Peter (President) 0419 899 810 or Carolyn (Secretary) 0417 349 049. The Club meets on the second Monday of the month with the first meeting for 2019 being Monday, 11 February.

Carolyn Gargiulo, Secretary







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St Augustine's News



Last year the school said goodbye to year six students Lauren Aver, Angus Barrett, Patrick Bennett, Poppy Charleson, Jaime-Lee Donovan-Clancy, Khye Erdody, Claudia Martin, James Martin and Mia Wallis. We thank them for all they have brought to our school community and we wish them well in their future endeavours. The school now welcomes the 2019 foundation class as they begin a new journey with our school community. Enjoy the month.

Terry Brennan, Principal



Catherine King MP

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Creswick Cemetery Celebrating 160 Years

On Tuesday, 18 December, the Cemetery commemorated 160 years since the first burial. A small group of people enjoyed a cake and afternoon tea. A big thank you to Mrs Monique Ford who kindly made a delicious sponge for the event.

Chairman Kieran Moore thanked everyone for attending the first official function in the Cemetery's new rotunda and hoped that it can be utilised for small events in the future. Kieran also thanked Wendy Ohlsen, who had worked very hard to design and create the new signage and brochure for the *Miners and Notable Citizens* self-guided tour which was also launched on the same day. Kieran thanked the Creswick & District Community Bank® Branch for their kind and generous grant that allowed the cemetery to do the signs, Sally Kennedy for making the signage and Ballarat Rockworks for helping to attach them to the sites.

The signs give more detailed information about local notable citizens and miners, including others buried in the same grave and what that particular person achieved in their lifetime. The Cemetery Trust would also like to thank the Creswick Museum for allowing the use of some of their photographs which have been used on the signage.

New brochures outlining the walk are now available at the Creswick Visitor Information Centre. Wishing all a very Happy New Year and good health in the year ahead.

Wendy Ohlsen, Secretary





Kieran Moore (Cemetery Trust chairman) and John Collins (Creswick & District Community Bank®)

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CRESWICK PUMP-TRACK IS ALMOST READY

Mayor, Cr Don Henderson (left) inspecting final touches to pump-track





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RECOGNISING EXTRAORDINARY WOMEN IN OUR SHIRE

EVENT DETAILS: Friday, 8 March 2019 6pm Creswick Town Hall 68 Albert Street, Creswick



Celebrating inspiring women and paying tribute to those in the Shire whose contributions, courage and examples have led to significant social change for women.

International Women's Day 2019 campaign theme is #BalanceforBetter

Light refreshments served at the conclusion of the event.

Bookings essential at: www.trybooking.com/ZOHG

Senior Cits News

Welcome 2019! May Seniors' Club look forward to a happy and healthy new year with companionship and activities to enjoy.

Seniors Christmas lunch was introduced with the Creswick Brass Band playing carols, thank you so much Rob. A traditional meal was served to about seventy members and Santa's visit was a hit with gifts for all.

Prizes were presented to the winners of activities during the year. Bingo was an equal win by Lucy and Ralph, euchre ladies was won by Merle and the men's by John. Scrabble winners were, table 1 Tina and table 2 Nora. Pat took out the prize for Triominos and carpet bowls saw John H, who played well all year, take the honours.

Another of our members reached that wonderful milestone of ninety years, congratulations Bonny.

The first Social Day for 2019 will be on 22 February with a meal at noon and entertainment. See you all then.

Happy New Year.

June Gray 5334 6526





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January 7, 1919

New Year's Eve was not made the aversion of any festivity in the town and the ushering in of 1919 was very quietly observed. In the early part of the evening only a few of the business establishments were kept open, consequently the folk of the town did not promenade the streets very late. The town was entirely free from rowdyism.

January 14, 1919

A meeting will be held in the bank chambers next Thursday evening, at 8 o'clock, to receive the financial statement in connection with the hospital carnival, to consider the question of holding an aquatic carnival, and to draw the art union.

January 17, 1919

The Blind Entertainers- Mechanics' Hall, Kingston, Wednesday, January 22nd.

Re-organised Company of Blind Entertainers, supported by Mr. Wilson Muir, Master Magician and Ventriloquist. Special engagement of Miss Daisy Davidson.

Front seats 2/-; Back seats 1/- No Tax.

Proceeds in aid of the Home for the Adult Blind.

R. Olgivie, Local Secretary

January 21, 1919

Entries for the hay stacking and potato field competitions, being held by the Smeaton, Spring Hill and Bullarook Agricultural Society, will close shortly. Those for the hay stacking must be lodged with the secretary (Mr. C. C. Phillips, Rocky Lead) not later than Friday next, 24th inst., and those for the potato field competition up to 7th February. The entry fee in each case is 5/-.

January 24, 1919

Mr. David Lyall, has, after a membership of 36 years, resigned from the Creswick Fire Brigade. His length of service is only exceeded by that of one member. The brigade, in accepting Mr. Lyall's resignation, decided to show him in some small degree, their esteem and appreciation of his valued services for so many years, by making him a presentation.

January 28, 1919

The Price of Milk in Creswick will be increased to sixpence (6d) per Quart on and after 1st February.

January 31, 1919

Blampied – The annual St. Patrick's Day sports will be held at Blampied on Saturday 15th March. A very attractive programme of events has been framed for the occasion, consisting of horse and pony races, pedestrian and athletic contests, as well as a woodchop. A concert will be held in the evening.

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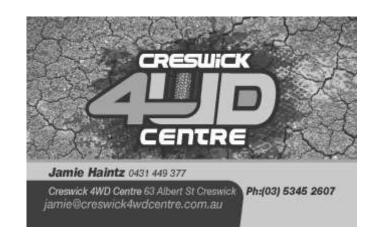
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Victoria Street Craft Group Successful Year

The members of the Craft group would like to thank everyone who supported, helped and donated to the Street Stall in December. It was a huge success, with money raised for charity.

They would like to thank Michael, artist from Daylesford, who donated money for a teddy bear and then to give it to one of our girls helping on the staff. It shows that there is still some kindness in the world, as it really made our day, we were all surprised and stoked at his gesture. Thank you Michael.

The Special Effort Results:

- 1. Virginia Svanosio
- 2. Judy Wright
- 3. John Delavadova
- 4. Shirley Inverarity
- 5. Frank Slade

Throughout the past year the group has held a couple of garage sales, stalls and sold their craft through word of mouth. The charities that will benefit this year are: Cancer, Riding for the Disabled, Royal Flying Doctors, Creswick Hospital, Shannon's Bridge and Creswick Cemetery Trust.

The group thank everyone for their support throughout the past year including the craft ladies themselves.

Victoria Street Craft Group.



CRESWICK NEIGHBOURHOOD CENTRE

Thanks Expressed

Despite a sense of unreality that December has come and gone, the calendar definitely says it *is* the time (as well as an excellent place) to express our thanks to all the many people who attended courses, classes and activities at the Neighbourhood Centre during 2018, as well as the many talented and dedicated tutors who ran them, of course!

The Centre is so grateful to those others who offered, encouraged, suggested, advised, donated, polished, gardened, inspired, commiserated, donated, cleaned or created at the Centre during the year. You've all contributed to the vital 'social capital' (aka community cohesiveness or connectedness) of Creswick and district — and in doing so, have definitely enhanced the Centre and its services. Take a bow people!

Sincere thanks are also due to our treasure of a local bank, the incomparable **Creswick & District Community Bank® Branch.** Their generous support helps make more services available for more local people - what more could we ask?

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FORTHCOMING EVENTS

REGULAR AND ONGOING EVENTS

Saturday January 26, Australia Day Breakfast, Park Lake (near tennis courts) Ceremony 8.00am

Sunday January 27,Pavilion Arts discussion 18
Gardiner St., Creswick 3.00pm
-7.00pm All welcome

Friday February 15, Summer Smorgasbord Tea, St. Andrew's Church, 6.30pm Adults \$18.00 Children 5-12yrs \$8.00

Saturday February 16, Creswick Market, Creswick Neighbourhood Centre 9.00am – 1.00pm. A happy small town market creswickmarket.com.au

Friday February 22, Senior Cits first Social day for 2019 Noon Seniors Clubrooms

Thursday March 7, Hospital Luncheon, Creswick and District Hospital Auxiliary

Friday March 8, International Women's Day 2019, Creswick Town Hall 6.00pm Bookings essential www.trybooking.com/ZOHG

Light refreshments served **Saturday March 16**, Creswick Market, Creswick Neighbourhood Centre 9.00am – 1.00pm. A happy small town market *creswickmarket.com.au*

Anglicare Emergency Food Relief - second Tuesday. Centrelink card holders. Blankets available winter months. St Johns Anglican Church Hall, Napier Street 10.00am-11.30am

Australian Red Cross - first Tuesday every month. RSL Hall 2.00pm 5345 8318 or email *jackandnorah@vic.australis.com.au*

Business & Tourism Creswick first Tuesday every month. Farmers Arms Hotel, 4.30pm Info 5345 2759 or contact via Facebook Creswick Cemetery - Gates Open 9.00am to 5.00pm - Daily

Creswick & District Aquatic Centre Inc. - first Wednesday Feb. Apr. Aug. Nov 7.00pm Phone 0434 071 185

Creswick & District Historical Society - fourth Thursday every month (except December and January) Seniors' Club rooms 2.00pm. Ph 5345 1310

Creswick & District Hospital Auxiliary meets at hospital last Monday monthly 7.30pm. No meeting in June.
New members welcome.

Creswick & District U3A 9459 981 066 or email u3a3363@gmail.com or www.creswicku3a.com

Creswick Garden Club - first Tuesday every month (except January) Senior's Club Rooms 1.15pm. Phyllis 5345 2514

Creswick Havilah Lodge fourth Thursday every month meeting 7.30pm Bob Orr 5345 2165 Creswick Library Baby Rhyme Time Sessions, Tues and Wed 11.00am Parents' Club Tue 11.30am Creswick Lions Club second Monday every month. 7.00pm R.S.L. Hall President Peter Cowie 0419 899 810, Secretary Carolyn Gargiulo 0417 349 049, Membership Chairperson Bernardette Tacey 0419 326 052

Creswick Market - Third Saturday every month 9.00am-1.00pm. Creswick Neighbourhood Centre, A happy small town market, Bookings 5345 2356 *creswickmarket.com.au*

Creswick Museum - Open 11.00am -3.30pm Saturday and Sunday every week and Public Holidays 5345 2845 creswickmuseum.org.au

Creswick Pre-School Childcare Fridays - School Terms. 9.00am to 1.00pm Bookings ECKA 5339 5055

Creswick Probus Club - first Tuesday every month (except January) meetings St Andrew's Hall, 10.00am. Inquiries Bob 5345 2165

Creswick Senior Citizens - last Friday each month members enjoy social day and \$5 Lunch at Seniors' Clubrooms 12 noon

Creswick Senior Cyclists - meet Sundays and Wednesdays, 10.15am Creswick Band Rotunda. All casual cyclists welcome.

Creswick Visitor Information Centre - volunteers meet first
Thursday every month 10.00am RSL

Creswick Walking Group
Tuesdays and Thursdays 8.30am.
Meet Albert Studio, Cnr Ballarat Rd
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Creswick Ward meeting second Monday every month. Cr Don Henderson 7.00pm Creswick Railway Station CRWA Members Meeting - First Sunday every month 1.00pm after Working Bee. Railway Workshops Precinct Judy 5345 1374 Folk and Acoustic Club - Second Friday 7.30pm American Hotel; fourth Friday 7.30pm Creswick Railway Station. Enquiries Kate 0409 179 481, John Harris 5345 2095

Goldfields Spinners – every second Friday from 10.30am at Railway Station, Creswick Rebecca 0416 843 847, Fiona 0402 181 925

Joeys, Cubs, Scouts and Venturers - every Thursday during school term. Enquiries via Scouts Victoria website scoutsvictoria.com.au

Museum Research Centre -Cnr Raglan and Cambridge Sts. Friday and Saturday 11.00am – 3.00pm every week Music Jam for music lovers -

every Friday 7.00pm-9.00pm Neighbourhood Centre. Audience welcome Pavilion Arts & Sustainability Inc

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